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Applicants: : Shimon Weiss et al.

Appl. No. : 09/349,833

Filed: : July 8, 1999

Title : ORGANO LUMINESCENT SEMICONDUCTOR NANOCRYSTAL
PROBES FOR BIOLOGICAL APPLICATIONS AND PROCESS FOR
MAKING AND USING SUCH PROBES

Grp./ A.U. : 1641

Examiner : Christopher L. Chin

Docket No. : IB-1330-1

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: May 24, 2001

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed March 28, 2001.



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Restriction was required in the March 28, 2001 Office Action between the following inventions under 35 U.S.C. 121:

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Group I. claims 52-73, drawn to a luminescent semiconductor nanocrystal; and

Group II. claims 74-100, drawn to a luminescent semiconductor nanocrystal probe.

Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the invention of Group I (claims 52-73), drawn to a luminescent semiconductor nanocrystal. Applicants have filed a divisional application (Docket No. IB-1330D) today, May 24, 2001, by Express Mail to prosecute the non-elected Group II claims, i.e., claims 74-100.

Applicants request that the claims (claims 52-73) of elected Group I of this patent application (Serial No. 09/349,833) be examined concurrently with the claims of divisional application (Docket No. IB-1330D) filed on May 24, 2001, which prosecutes the Group II claims. This request is made to facilitate and expedite the Examiner's examination of the claims of both patent applications.

Respectfully Submitted,

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